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From The Army to a Hon'ble Resident.
F. 3(22) 42/W d 30th March 40 forwarding a copy of Adv. Hqrs Gos letter to H Q 105 L of C Area re: lighting restrictions.

Asked for forward. a copy of the letter will be sent to Cdr LSL. G.S. C.P.S. Dellis of Bhavnagar S. M. W.Rly. ARP Control Mr ICG F and Bhavnagar for information

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SECRET.

No.1216/468/G.S.(AD).,
Adv.H.Q. Southern Army,
c/o No.11 Adv.Base P.O.
India 22nd March 1943.

CHIEF SECRETARY 1. APR. 1943 MYSORE

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Sd/- * * *
for BRIGADIER,
GENERAL STAFF.

APPENDIX "A".

LIST OF MILITARY STATIONS.

105 L of C Area.-

Wellington.
Parihar.
Cannanore.

106 L OF C AREA.

Nil.

107 L OF C AREA.

Aurangabad.
Ahmednagar.
Baroda.

THE OFFICE OF THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE,

Dated Bangalore, the 30th March 1943.

No.F.3(22)-42/W.

Copy forwarded to the
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His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore,
for information.

By order, etc.,

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE M.H.R.J. OF MY SORE.

No. 3891-3905/W. General & Revenue Secretariat.
SECRET. W 150-42-20 Bangalore, dated 10th April 1943.

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